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REMARKS

The drawing is amended, per the attached Submission, to overcome the new matter rejection. New formal drawing, incorporating the requested amendments, is attached. If any further amendment to the drawings of this application is believed necessary, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative of the Applicant to discuss the same.

The above newly entered/amended paragraph of the specification overcome the informality noted in the specification on file. The undersigned avers that the newly entered/amended paragraph of the specification does not contain any new subject matter.

Claim 20 is objected to for the reasons noted in the official action. The above requested claim amendment is believed to overcome all of the raised informalities concerning this case. If any further amendment to the claims is believed necessary, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative of the Applicant to discuss the same.


The Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claim 12, 13, 17 and 19 are allowed.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the raised rejection(s) should be withdrawn and this application is now placed in a condition for allowance. Action to that end, in the form of an early Notice of Allowance, is courteously solicited by the Applicant at this time.

The Applicant respectfully requests that any outstanding objection(s) or requirement(s), as to the form of this application, be held in abeyance until allowable subject matter is indicated for this case.

In the event that there are any fee deficiencies or additional fees are payable, please charge the same or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account (Account No. 04-0213).

Respectfully submitted,



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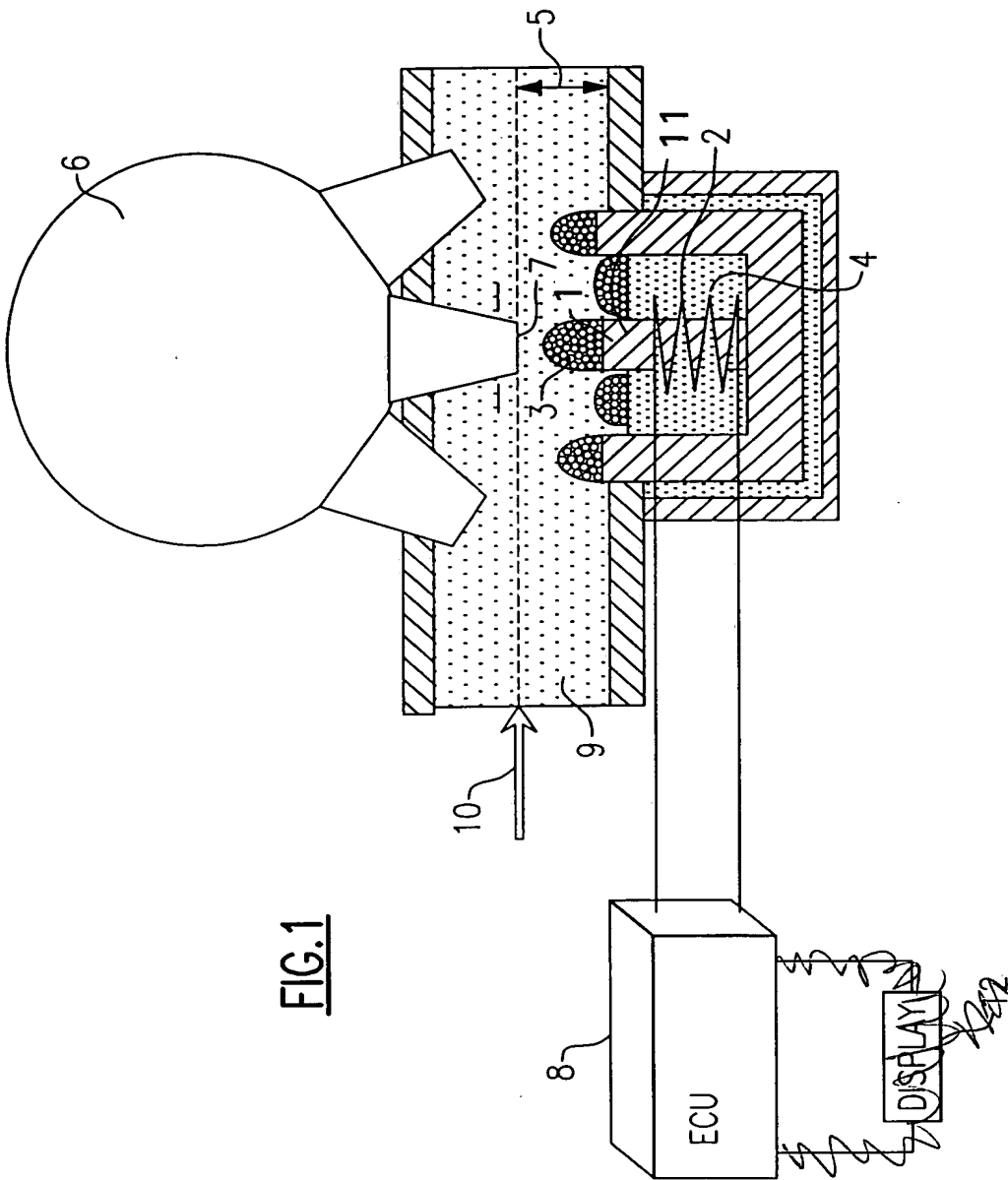


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